

US Bankruptcy Court 211 West Fort Suite 1700 Detroit Michigan 48226

RE: Objection to City of Detroit's Amended Disclosure Statement
Case 13-53846

I retired from City of Detroit (Detroit Public Library) in 2010 after 38 years and 9 months of service. I worked longer so I would be comfortable in my retirement and maybe take a yearly vacation. I then moved from the City of Detroit to Saint Clair Shores to be near my mother who was in an Assisted Living Facility.

The one thing I thought I could always count on was my pension, after all it was protected by the Michigan Constitution. I always thought of the Michigan Constitution as our (public employees) version of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

When there were talks of the City of Detroit filing for bankruptcy I was not too concerned, I knew Governor Snyder would pull the pensions from the bankruptcy filing in order to comply with the Michigan Constitution. The Governor fooled us again.

Even when the City of Detroit filed for bankruptcy, and Judge Rhodes ruled that pensions could be cut, I thought whatever cuts made by the City would be made up by the State (my interpretation of the Michigan Constitution). Evidently Governor Snyder does not agree.

I am objecting to the AMENDED DISCLOSURE STATEMENT WITH RESPECT TO AMENDED PLAN FOR THE ADJUSTMENT OF DEBTS OF THE CITY OF DETROIT (March 31, 2014) based on the following:

- 1. Cuts 26% or 34%-How was this calculated?
- 2. **Cost of Living-**No cola for 10 years, at 2.25% each year that adds another 20%+ to the cuts.
- 3. **AFS Recoupment (clawback?)**-Is this the 13th check and AFS recoupment? This is very confusing, is this another cut to be added to the 26% or 34%. How much? Will this affect all retirees? How will this be calculated?
- 4. **Health Care and VEBA-I** have not seen any information on the new agreement or on the VEBA. Is the VEBA for current retirees? Not clear.

- 5. **Contributors Default-**If the State, DIA, or any of the foundations default on their pledges will our pensions be cut more? How much? How will this be calculated? If new officials are elected will these pledges hold?
- 6. Banks \$85 Million-If this is approved by Judge Rhodes, can the banks (UBS and BOA) come back and sue the pension boards for the balance not paid by the City? Will that trigger further pension cuts? How much? How will this be calculated?
- 7. **Death Benefit and Life Insurance-**K. Orr has said he will eliminate the Death Benefit and Life Insurance for retirees. The City of Detroit is still deducting the monies from our pension checks. Where is this money going? Will we be reimbursed?

If all the above cuts come into play, pensions may be cut as much as 70%-80% (maybe higher). These cuts combined with health care premiums will leave retirees with pretty much nothing. How will retirees survive? You might as well just line us up and have a firing squad take us out. Governor Snyder and Kevin Orr would be ecstatic.

I am asking Judge Rhodes to reject the Amended Disclosure Statement and Amended Plan of Adjustment.

Respectfully,

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